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Registered N= 562

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1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
2/2-4/09 CBS	62	15	23
2/18-22/09	63	22	15
3/12-16/09 CBS	62	24	14
3/20-22/09 CBS	64	20	16
4/1-5/09	66	24	10
4/22-26/09	68	23	9
5/6-12/09 CBS	63	26	11
6/12-16/09	63	26	11
7/9-12/09 CBS	57	32	11
7/24-28/09	58	30	13
8/27-31/09 CBS	56	35	9
9/19-23/09	56	33	11
10/5-8/09 CBS	56	34	10
11/13-16/09 CBS	53	36	11
12/4-8/09	50	39	11
1/6-10/10 CBS	46	41	13
1/14-17/10 CBS	50	40	10
2/5-10/10	46	45	9
3/18-21/10 CBS	49	41	10
3/29-4/1/10 CBS	44	41	15
4/5-12/10	50	40	10
4/28-5/2/10	51	39	10
5/20-24/10 CBS	47	43	10
6/16-20/10	47	43	10
7/9-12/10 CBS	44	44	12
8/20-24/10 CBS	48	44	8
9/10-14/10	45	47	8
10/1-5/10 CBS	44	45	11
10/21-26/10	45	47	8
11/7-10/10 CBS	45	45	10
11/29-12/2/10 CBS	48	42	10
1/15-19/11	49	39	12
2/11-14/11 CBS	48	41	11
3/18-21/11 CBS	49	41	10
4/15-20/11	46	45	8
5/2-3/11	57	37	6
6/3-7/11 CBS	48	43	9
6/24-28/11	47	44	9
8/2-3/11	48	47	5
9/10-15/11	43	50	7
9/28-10/2/11 CBS	44	44	12
10/19-24/11	46	46	8
11/6-10/11 CBS	43	47	10
12/5-7/11 CBS	44	46	10
12/14-18/11 CBS	47	44	9
1/4-8/12 CBS	45	47	8
1/12-17/12	47	45	8
2/8-13/12	50	43	7
3/7-11/12	41	47	12
4/13-17/12	48	42	10
5/11-13/12	50	48	3

2. How would you rate the condition of the national economy these days? Is it very good, fairly good, fairly bad or very bad?

	Very good	Fairly good	Fairly bad	Very bad	DK/NA		Very good	Fairly good	Fairly bad	Very bad	DK/NA
1/92A	-	17	47	35	1	6/23-27/04	4	54	30	11	1
1/92B	1	20	46	32	1	8/15-18/04 CBS	5	47	32	15	1
2/92A	1	16	38	42	2	9/12-16/04	3	51	31	12	2
2/92B	1	16	40	41	1	10/1-3/04	6	49	29	16	1
3/92	1	18	39	40	1	10/14-17/04	3	49	32	13	2
4/92	1	23	40	34	1	11/18-21/04	4	50	30	14	1
7/92	-	21	41	37	1	2/24-28/05	4	53	29	13	1
8/92A	1	20	40	38	1	6/10-15/05	4	50	32	13	1
9/92A	1	19	37	39	3	7/29-8/2/05 CBS	7	50	31	11	1
10/92A	1	18	42	37	2	9/9-13/05	4	45	33	17	1
10/92C	2	21	40	37	1	10/30-11/1/05 CBS	3	44	35	16	2
10/92D	2	21	40	36	2	12/2-6/05	6	49	29	14	1
10/92E	1	22	39	36	2	1/5-8/06 CBS	6	48	32	13	1
12/92	1	31	39	28	2	1/20-25/06	6	51	29	13	1
1/93	1	34	41	22	2	2/22-26/06 CBS	5	45	33	15	2
2/93	2	33	36	26	3	3/9-12/06 CBS	4	51	29	14	2
3/93	1	33	41	22	2	4/6-9/06 CBS	7	45	30	17	1
6/93A	1	29	43	25	2	4/28-30/06 CBS	8	49	27	14	2
6/93B	1	33	40	23	2	5/4-8/06	6	47	31	15	1
8/93	3	28	45	23	1	7/21-25/06	5	46	34	13	1
9/93	1	31	44	23	1	8/17-21/06	5	47	32	15	1
11/93	2	40	38	18	2	9/15-19/06	5	51	30	13	1
12/93	1	43	39	15	2	10/5-8/06	7	53	28	11	1
12/93	1	43	39	15	2	10/27-31/06	9	50	26	13	3
1/94	2	45	38	14	1	12/8-10/06 CBS	8	50	26	13	3
1/94	1	49	34	14	1	1/1-3/07 CBS	8	50	26	14	2
2/94	2	50	34	12	2	1/18-21/07 CBS	7	51	31	10	1
4/94	3	51	33	11	2	2/8-11/07 CBS	8	52	27	12	1
6/94	3	51	32	11	3	2/23-27/07	7	55	25	10	3
7/94	3	50	35	11	1	3/7-11/07	8	47	33	11	1
9/94	2	51	33	13	2	4/9-12/07 CBS	8	51	28	11	2
9/94	3	50	34	11	2	5/18-23/07	7	48	29	14	1
11/94	2	53	33	10	1	7/9-17/07	9	46	30	13	2
1/95	3	57	28	11	1	8/8-12/07 CBS	7	45	32	14	2
2/95	5	53	29	12	2	9/4-8/07	4	51	30	15	1
3/95	3	52	29	13	3	10/12-16/07 CBS	5	45	33	16	1
7/95	3	58	26	11	2	12/5-9/07	3	39	39	18	1
10/95	3	54	32	10	1	1/9-12/08	3	35	42	19	2
12/95	4	54	27	13	2	1/30-2/2/08 CBS	2	26	44	27	1
1/96	2	49	33	14	2	2/20-24/08	2	27	45	25	1
2/96	3	50	30	15	3	3/15-18/08 CBS	1	24	42	34	
6/96	2	53	32	11	2	3/28-4/2/08	1	20	48	30	1
6/96B	4	56	30	9	1	4/25-29/08	-	22	41	36	1
7/96	5	56	27	10		5/1-3/08	1	15	40	43	1
8/96	5	58	23	10	3	5/30-6/3/08 CBS	1	19	45	33	2
9/96	5	64	23	7	1	7/7-14/08	1	18	45	35	1
10/96	6	66	19	6	2	7/31-8/5/08 CBS	1	16	40	43	
10/96C	6	61	21	10	3	8/15-19/08	1	17	41	41	-
11/96	6	64	21	6	2	9/12-16/08	2	20	39	39	-
12/96	6	61	22	8	3	9/21-24/08	-	17	34	46	2
1/97	7	64	23	5	1	9/27-30/08 CBS	-	10	37	52	1
4/97	6	62	24	7	1	10/3-5/08 CBS	1	10	34	55	-
7/97	11	62	18	8	1	10/10-13/08	-	11	38	50	-
11/97	14	63	16	5	2	10/19-22/08	-	13	35	51	-
12/97	17	63	15	4	2	10/25-29/08	1	10	41	48	1
1/98	16	67	13	3	1	12/4-8/08 CBS	1	8	37	54	
2/98	21	67	9	3	1	1/11-15/09	1	6	30	62	-
8/11-13/98	21	66	8	3	2	2/2-4/09 CBS	-	5	31	63	1
8/19-20/98	25	61	9	3	2	2/18-22/09	-	8	30	61	1
10/98A	16	65	15	3	2	3/12-16/09 CBS		12	36	52	
10/98B	16	68	11	3	2	4/1-5/09	1	10	38	51	1
2/00	28	60	8	3	1	4/22-26/09	1	15	40	44	1
5/00	29	58	7	4	2	5/6-12/09 CBS	1	17	45	36	1
9/00D*	26	64	7	2	1	6/12-16/09	1	14	48	36	1
10/00	25	60	9	4	3	7/9-12/09 CBS	1	13	42	44	
11/00	26	63	7	3	2	7/24-28/09	1	17	47	35	1
12/00 CBS	21	65	10	3	1	8/27-31/09 CBS	2	18	43	36	1
1/01 CBS	14	70	11	4	1	9/19-23/09	1	21	49	28	1
3/8-12/01	6	68	19	5		10/5-8/09 CBS	1	15	49	35	
4/01B CBS	3	58	29	7	3	11/13-16/09 CBS	1	18	42	37	2
5/01 CBS	4	64	23	7	2	12/4-8/09	2	20	44	33	1
6/14-18/01	3	67	22	6	2	1/6-10/10 CBS	2	15	50	32	1
9/20-23/01	3	50	33	11	2	2/5-10/10	1	16	44	39	1
10/25-28/01	3	53	33	9	2	3/29/-4/1/10 CBS	1	15	42	42	
12/07-10/01	3	52	35	8	2	4/5-12/10	1	22	43	34	1
1/5-6/02 CBS	3	49	36	8	4	4/28-5/2/10	3	23	45	27	3
1/15-17/02CBS	2	49	36	11	2	5/20-24/10	1	19	47	32	1
1/21-24/02	2	50	36	10	1	6/16-20/10	2	20	48	29	1
2/24-26/02CBS	1	52	38	7	2	7/9-12/10 CBS	2	15	50	32	1
5/13-14/02CBS	4	62	27	7	-	8/20-24/10 CBS	2	15	42	41	
6/18-20/02CBS	3	56	30	9	2	9/10-14/10	-	17	47	34	2
7/13-16/02	2	47	36	13	2	10/1-5/10 CBS	1	18	43	37	1
7/22-23/02CBS	3	42	39	14	2	10/21-26/10	-	21	45	33	1
8/6-7/02 CBS	2	45	38	13	2	11/7-10/10 CBS	2	18	44	35	1
9/2-5/02	3	47	36	14	1	11/29-12/2/10 CBS	1	17	46	36	
10/3-6/02	4	39	42	14	2	1/15-19/11	2	24	46	28	1
10/27-31/02	1	44	38	15	1	2/11-14/11 CBS	1	23	46	29	1
11/20-24/02	2	46	37	13	2	3/18-21/11 CBS	2	21	48	29	
1/4-6/03 CBS	1	40	43	14	2	4/15-20/11	2	17	44	36	1
1/19-22/03	1	42	43	12	1	6/3-7/11 CBS	2	18	43	36	1
5/9-12/03	2	42	41	14	1	6/24-28/11	1	17	43	38	1
9/28-10/1/03	4	39	37	19	1	8/2-3/11	-	12	46	40	1
2/10-12/03	2	37	42	18	2	9/10-15/11	1	13	39	47	1
3/20-24/03	3	47	33	15	2	9/28-10/2/11 CBS		10	47	41	2
4/11-13/03	2	48	36	10	3	10/19-24/11	1	13	50	36	1
10/20-21/03CBS	3	42	36	18	1	11/6-10/11 CBS	1	12	41	45	1
12/10-13/03	4	52	30	13	1	12/5-7/11 CBS	1	12	44	42	1
12/14-15/03	5	50	28	13	4	1/4-8/12 CBS	1	18	46	34	2
1/12-15/04	3	51	34	11	1	1/12-17/12	1	20	47	32	-
3/10-14/04	2	47	34	15	2	2/8-13/12	1	22	46	29	1
4/23-27/04	4	51	30	15	1	3/7-11/12	1	21	45	30	2
5/20-23/04 CBS	5	47	31	16	1	4/13-17/12	1	26	41	29	2
						5/11-13/12	1	31	39	28	1

20. Do you think the economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

	Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA		Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA
1/92A	8	47	44	1	7/29-8/2/05 CBS	20	32	47	1
1/92B	9	45	44	1	9/9-13/05	13	47	38	2
2/92B	13	38	48	1	10/30-11/1/05 CBS	16	40	44	
3/92	20	26	53	1	12/2-6/05	19	35	45	1
4/92	18	31	50	1	1/5-8/06 CBS	20	37	43	
7/92	12	33	54	1	1/20-25/06	17	38	44	1
8/92A	10	36	53	1	3/9-12/06	13	39	47	1
9/92A	10	33	55	2	5/4-8/06	14	47	39	1
10/92A	9	38	51	1	7/21-25/06	12	47	41	1
10/92C	12	37	49	2	9/15-19/06	17	36	46	1
10/92D	17	33	48	2	10/5-8/06	19	31	49	1
10/92E	17	32	49	2	10/27-31/06	16	38	44	
12/92	29	17	51	3	2/8-11/07 CBS	15	34	49	2
1/93	26	18	55	1	2/23-27/07	11	35	51	2
2/93	32	15	51	2	4/9-12/07 CBS	11	44	44	1
3/93	21	19	58	2	5/18-23/07	11	43	44	2
6/93A	13	26	60	1	7/9-17/07	12	41	45	2
8/93 CBS	12	30	56	2	9/4-8/07	8	49	43	1
9/93	14	26	58	1	10/12-16/07 CBS	9	45	44	2
11/93	19	24	57	1	12/5-9/07	5	53	40	2
1/94	31	17	57	1	1/9-12/08	4	62	33	1
4/94	24	25	50	1	1/30-2/2/08 CBS	6	67	26	1
7/94	22	21	56	1	2/20-24/08	3	63	32	1
9/94	23	27	50	1	3/15-18/08 CBS	2	75	21	2
11/94	20	26	53	1	3/28-4/2/08	4	70	25	1
1/95 CBS	24	22	53	1	4/25-29/08	4	70	24	1
2/95	27	20	53	1	5/30-6/3/08 CBS	3	69	27	1
3/95	18	27	53	2	7/7-14/08	3	67	29	1
8/95	14	27	58	1	9/12-16/08	6	61	32	1
10/95	13	27	57	2	9/21-24/08	2	70	26	2
2/95	16	26	56	2	9/27-30/08 CBS	2	76	20	2
1/96	13	31	54	2	10/3-5/08 CBS	3	75	21	1
2/96	14	29	55	2	10/10-13/08	5	67	26	2
4/96	14	32	53	2	10/19-22/08	11	57	30	2
6/96	13	29	57	1	10/25-29/08	8	57	32	3
6/96 NYT	18	22	58	1	12/4-8/08 CBS	8	60	29	3
9/96	23	21	54	2	1/11-15/09	7	54	37	2
7/96	16	27	55	2	2/2-4/09 CBS	5	51	42	2
8/96C	17	23	57	3	2/18-22/09	8	51	40	1
10/96	26	19	53	2	3/12-16/09 CBS	19	41	37	3
11/96	24	19	55	2	4/1-5/09	20	34	43	3
12/96	19	21	57	2	4/22-26/09	26	25	48	2
1/97	24	19	56	1	5/6-12/09 CBS	32	23	44	1
4/97	16	25	57	1	6/12-16/09	27	25	46	2
11/97 CBS	23	19	55	3	7/9-12/09 CBS	21	33	45	1
12/97	29	18	51	2	7/24-28/09	32	22	45	1
1/98	32	13	55	1	8/27-31/09 CBS	36	25	38	1
10/98A	20	26	53	2	9/19-23/09	36	17	46	-
10/98B	23	21	53	2	10/5-8/09 CBS	31	18	50	1
2/00	30	15	52	2	11/13-16/09 CBS	32	25	42	1
1/01 CBS	11	39	49	1	12/4-8/09	29	23	47	1
2/01 CBS	8	46	44	2	1/6-10/10 CBS	31	19	49	1
3/8-12/01	7	41	49	2	1/14-17/10 CBS	24	28	48	
4/01 CBS	9	48	41	2	2/5-10/10	24	29	45	2
5/01 CBS	10	44	44	2	4/5-12/10	33	23	43	1
6/14-18/01	9	40	50	1	4/28-5/2/10	41	15	43	1
9/20-23/01	8	55	35	2	5/20-24/10	30	28	42	
10/25-28/01	14	37	46	2	6/16-20/10	28	24	48	-
12/07-10/01	19	34	45	2	7/9-12/10 CBS	25	26	48	1
1/5-6/02 CBS	26	27	44	3	8/20-24/10 CBS	20	34	44	2
1/21-24/02	18	33	48	1	9/10-14/10	22	30	48	1
5/13-14/02CBS	31	18	51	-	10/1-5/10 CBS	22	27	50	1
7/13-16/02	14	41	44	2	10/21-26/10	25	28	46	1
10/3-5/02	13	39	46	2	11/29-12/2/10 CBS	31	24	44	1
10/27-31/02	17	34	48	1	1/15-19/11	30	21	46	2
11/20-24/02	19	30	50	2	2/11-14/11 CBS	32	22	45	1
1/19-22/03	17	39	44	1	3/18-21/11 CBS	26	26	47	1
4/11-13/03	17	31	49	2	4/15-20/11	23	39	38	1
5/9-12/03	22	28	49	1	6/3-7/11 CBS	24	31	44	1
7/13-27/03	22	31	46	1	6/24-28/11	20	31	48	1
8/26-28/03 CBS	25	31	43	1	9/10-15/11	12	43	44	1
9/28-10/1/03	24	29	46	1	9/28-10/2/11 CBS	12	40	46	2
12/10-13/03	34	24	41	1	10/19-24/11	14	36	49	1
12/14-15/03	39	19	39	2	11/6-10/11 CBS	18	32	50	-
1/12-15/04	34	26	39	1	12/5-7/11 CBS	21	39	40	-
2/12-15/04 CBS	33	27	39	1	12/14-18/11 CBS	24	30	45	1
3/10-14/04	28	27	43	2	1/4-8/12 CBS	25	29	45	1
5/20-23/04 CBS	23	32	43	2	1/12-17/12	28	23	49	-
6/23-27/04	28	23	47	1	2/8-13/12	34	22	43	1
9/12-16/04	26	27	45	2	3/7-11/12	30	24	44	2
10/14-17/04	24	33	42	1	4/13-17/12	33	28	38	1
11/18-21/04	26	29	44	1	5/11-13/12	36	24	39	2
1/14-18/05	25	29	45	1					
2/24-28/05	23	30	46	1					
6/10-15/05	18	36	45	2					

Some people are registered to vote and others are not. Are you registered to vote in the precinct or election district where you now live, or aren't you?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
5/11-13/12	81	19	

3. If the 2012 presidential election were being held today and the candidates were Barack Obama, the Democrat, and Mitt Romney, the Republican, would you vote for Barack Obama or Mitt Romney? **CANDIDATE NAMES WERE ROTATED.**

	Obama	Romney	Other (vol.)	Won't vote (vol.)	Depends (vol.)	DK/NA
1/4-8/12* CBS	45	47	-	2	1	5
1/12-17/12*	45	45	1	4	2	5
2/8-13/12*	48	42	-	4	1	5
3/7-11/12*	47	44	1	2	1	5
4/13-17/12*	46	46	2	3	1	3
5/11-13/12*	43	46	3	1	3	4

4. In deciding who you would like to see elected President this year, which one of the following issues will be most important to you - 1. Foreign policy, 2. The economy and jobs, 3. Health care, 4. Immigration, 5. The federal budget deficit, 6. Same-sex marriage or 7. Something else? **ANSWER OPTIONS WERE ROTATED.**

	5/11-13/12
Foreign policy	4
Economy and jobs	62
Healthcare	9
Immigration	2
Federal budget deficit	11
Same-sex marriage	7
Something else	3
Nothing (vol.)	
DK/NA	1

5. And which one of the following issues will be the next most important to you in deciding who you would like to see elected President this year - 1. Foreign policy, 2. The economy and jobs, 3. Health care, 4. Immigration, 5. The federal budget deficit, 6. Same-sex marriage or 7. Something else? **ANSWER OPTIONS WERE ROTATED.**

	5/11-13/12
Foreign policy	10
Economy and jobs	19
Healthcare	33
Immigration	6
Federal budget deficit	21
Same-sex marriage	4
Something else	6
Nothing (vol.)	
DK/NA	1

QUESTIONS 6-7 WERE ROTATED

6. Is your opinion of Barack Obama favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Barack Obama yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not fav.	Undecided	Haven't heard enough	Refused
1/1-3/07 CBS	28	10	14	47	1
1/18-21/07* CBS	29	9	20	41	
3/7-11/07	39	18	20	23	-
3/26-27/07 CBS	31	17	21	30	
4/9-12/07* CBS	36	18	25	21	-
5/18-23/07*	34	21	25	20	-
6/26-28/07* CBS	40	22	22	15	1
7/9-17/07	36	20	25	19	
7/9-17/07*	37	21	24	18	
8/8-12/07* CBS	36	20	27	17	
9/4-9/07*	35	21	29	14	
2/20-24/08*	45	23	23	9	1
3/15-18/08* CBS	44	28	20	8	
3/28-4/2/08*	43	24	25	8	1
4/25-29/08*	39	34	21	5	1
5/1-3/08*	44	30	20	6	1
5/30-6/3/08* CBS	41	31	22	5	1
7/7-14/08*	39	31	24	4	1
7/31-8/5/08* CBS	37	32	25	5	1
8/15-19/08*	39	32	25	4	1
9/12-16/08*	45	35	16	3	1
9/21-24/08*	43	30	22	4	1
9/27-30/08* CBS	48	32	17	3	1
10/3-5/08* CBS	46	34	16	3	1
10/10-13/08*	50	32	15	2	-
10/19-22/08*	52	31	15	2	1
10/25-29/08*	51	34	13	2	-
10/31-11/2/08* CBS	50	35	12	1	2
12/4-8/08 CBS	55	12	24	7	2
1/11-15/09	60	9	22	8	1
4/22-26/09	54	18	15	12	1
7/24-28/09	50	23	16	11	1
2/5-10/10	39	34	19	6	1
4/5-12/10	43	33	17	7	1
10/1-5/10 CBS	42	39	15	3	1
10/21-26/10	40	36	18	4	1
1/15-19/11	40	34	20	6	1
9/10-15/11	39	42	13	5	-
1/12-17/12*	38	45	14	3	-
2/8-13/12*	45	41	11	2	1
3/7-11/12*	41	41	14	3	2
4/13-17/12*	42	45	11	2	1
5/11-13/12*	45	45	9	2	

7. Is your opinion of Mitt Romney favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Mitt Romney yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not favorable	Undecided	Haven't heard enough	Refused
1/1-3/07 CBS	5	10	14	71	1
2/8-11/07 CBS	6	8	13	72	1
3/7-11/07	8	15	17	59	1
4/9-12/07* CBS	10	16	17	57	-
5/18-23/07*	14	16	18	52	1
6/26-28/07* CBS	12	16	19	52	1
7/9-17/07*	11	15	24	49	1
8/8-12/07 CBS	14	16	21	48	1
9/4-9/07*	11	19	26	45	-
4/15-20/11*	28	24	25	22	-
6/3-7/11* CBS	25	24	28	22	1
9/10-15/11*	25	29	29	16	1
11/6-10/11* CBS	25	31	26	18	-
1/12-17/12*	21	35	29	15	-
2/8-13/12*	26	40	20	13	1
3/7-11/12*	30	37	20	11	1
4/13-17/12*	29	34	22	15	1
5/11-13/12*	31	38	19	12	

8. Which comes closest to your view? Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry OR gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not legally marry OR there should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship?

	Marry	Civil unions	No legal recognition	DK/NA
3/10-14/04	22	33	40	6
5/20-23/04* CBS	28	29	40	3
7/11-15/04	28	31	38	3
10/28-30/04	23	34	36	7
11/18-21/04	21	32	44	3
2/24-28/05	23	34	41	2
7/29-8/2/05 CBS	27	27	43	4
10/27-31/06	28	29	38	5
3/7-11/07	28	32	35	5
5/30-6/3/08 CBS	30	28	36	6
8/15-20/08	34	22	39	4
3/12-16/09 CBS	33	27	35	5
4/22-26/09	42	25	28	5
6/12-16/09	33	30	32	5
4/5-12/10	39	24	30	7
8/20-24/10 CBS	40	30	25	5
12/17-20/10 CBS	37	23	32	8
3/18-21/11 CBS	40	25	30	5
6/17-20/11 CBS	40	23	30	7
9/10-15/11	38	27	28	7
2/8-13/12	40	23	31	5
5/11-13/12	38	24	33	5

QUESTIONS 9-10 WERE ROTATED

9. Does Barack Obama's support of same-sex marriage make you more likely to vote for him, less likely to vote for him, or wouldn't it affect how you will vote one way or another?

	More likely	Less likely	No effect	DK/NA
5/11-13/12	16	26	57	1

10. Does Mitt Romney's opposition to same-sex marriage make you more likely to vote for him, less likely to vote for him, or wouldn't it affect how you will vote one way or another?

	More likely	Less likely	No effect	DK/NA
5/11-13/12	21	17	60	2

11. Do you think that Barack Obama publicly supported same-sex marriage mostly because he thinks it is right, or mostly for political reasons?

	What is right	Political reasons	Both equally (vol.)	DK/NA
5/11-13/12	24	67	2	7

13. If you had to decide, do you think it should be legal or not legal for same sex couples to marry?

	Legal	Not legal	DK/NA
5/11-13/12	42	51	7

14. Would you favor or oppose an amendment to the U.S. Constitution that would allow marriage only between a man and a woman?

	Favor	Oppose	DK/NA
5/11-13/12	50	46	4

15. Do you think laws regarding whether same-sex marriage is legal or not should be determined by the federal government or left to each individual state government?

	Federal govt	State govt	Both (vol.)	DK/NA
5/11-13/12	32	57	1	9

21. Do you have a work colleague, close friend, or relative who is gay or lesbian?

	Yes	No	I am (vol.)	DK/NA
12/10-13/03	44	55		1
3/10-14/04	55	44		1
5/20-24/10	63	35		2
5/11-13/12	69	28	1	1

22. IF YES: Do you have a gay or lesbian friend or family member who is married or in a committed same sex relationship, or not? **ASKED OF THOSE WHO RESPONDED YES TO QUESTION 21.**

	Yes	No	I am (vol.)	DK/NA
5/11-13/12	42	28	-	1

Generally speaking, do you usually consider yourself a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or what?

	Rep	Dem	Ind	DK/NA		Rep	Dem	Ind	DK/NA
1/92A	29	35	31	5	12/7-10/01	30	32	30	8
1/92B	28	32	35	5	1/21-24/02	28	34	31	7
2/92A	32	37	27	4	4/28-5/1/02	33	37	23	8
2/92B	30	33	32	5	7/13-16/02	28	34	33	5
3/92	30	38	27	5	9/2-5/02	29	35	26	10
4/92	30	38	27	5	10/3-5/02	27	38	28	7
5/92A	30	33	31	6	10/27-31/02	31	34	28	7
6/92	33	33	29	5	11/20-24/02	29	32	31	8
7/92	29	34	32	5	1/19-22/03	29	32	33	6
7/92B	26	38	28	8	2/10-12/03	28	34	31	6
8/92A	28	33	33	5	3/7-9/03	29	32	30	9
8/92D	27	32	33	8	4/11-13/03	31	30	32	6
8/92E	28	35	29	8	7/13-27/03	27	32	34	7
9/92A	28	34	33	5	9/28-10/1/03	31	35	30	4
10/92A	29	35	31	5	12/10-13/03	27	33	35	6
10/92C	29	36	31	5	12/14-15/03	28	31	35	6
10/92D	28	37	31	4	1/12-15/04	28	32	33	8
10/92E	28	38	29	5	3/10-14/04	31	30	32	7
12/92	28	39	28	5	4/23-27/04	29	35	29	7
1/93	30	36	28	6	6/23-27/04	29	35	29	7
2/93	28	36	30	6	7/11-15/04	29	37	30	4
3/93	26	37	30	7	9/12-16/04	33	31	29	7
5/93A	29	34	29	8	10/1-3/04	29	34	28	10
6/93A	29	34	32	5	10/14-17/04	30	34	29	7
6/93B	31	37	27	5	10/28-30/04	30	35	30	6
9/93	26	36	32	6	11/18-21/04	29	36	30	5
11/93	29	38	29	4	1/14-18/05	31	34	28	8
1/94	30	30	34	6	2/24-28/05	29	36	29	6
2/94	28	33	32	7	6/10-15/05	28	34	31	6
3/94	30	34	29	7	9/9-13/05	26	36	28	9
4/94	32	32	30	6	12/2-6/05	28	32	33	7
7/94	27	35	31	6	1/20-25/06	29	34	33	4
9/94	28	36	34	3	5/4-8/06	25	37	34	4
11/94	31	34	29	6	7/21-25/06	31	33	30	5
12/94	31	32	29	7	8/17-21/06	30	35	27	8
2/95	30	33	32	5	9/15-19/06	30	32	32	5
4/95	30	30	34	6	10/5-8/06	30	35	30	6
8/95	30	35	29	6	10/27-31/06	28	35	31	7
9/95	28	33	30	9	2/24-27/07	25	35	33	6
10/95	31	35	27	7	3/7-11/07	27	35	33	6
12/95	32	35	26	6	4/20-24/07	24	34	36	6
12/95	27	33	33	7	5/18-23/07	29	37	32	3
1/96	29	35	31	5	7/9-17/07	28	34	34	4
2/96	30	35	31	4	7/20-22/07	24	32	36	9
4/96	31	36	28	5	9/4-8/07	31	32	33	5
6/96	27	39	29	5	12/5-9/07	26	35	31	8
6/96 NYT	26	37	32	5	1/9-12/08	28	40	27	5
7/96	31	34	29	6	2/20-24/08	27	38	29	6
8/96	32	41	24	3	/28-4/2/08	26	41	27	6
8/96C	30	34	28	8	4/25-29/08	27	37	31	5
9/96	29	36	29	6	5/1-3/08	29	39	27	5
10/96	28	40	25	7	7/7-14/08	26	37	31	6
10/96C	28	37	27	7	8/15-20/08	29	37	26	8
11/96	28	38	28	7	9/12-16/08	28	39	26	7
12/96	28	39	24	9	9/21-24/08	28	34	32	6
1/97	29	32	33	6	10/10-13/08	28	36	29	7
4/97	29	36	26	8	10/19-22/08	26	41	28	5
1/98	27	34	30	8	10/25-29/08	30	37	27	5
1/98B	26	35	31	7	1/11-15/09	21	39	31	8
2/98	31	32	30	8	2/18-22/09	26	36	32	5
4/98	28	31	33	8	4/1-5/09	23	39	30	7
6/98	28	32	30	10	4/22-26/09	20	38	36	6
7/98	28	35	30	7	6/12-16/09	24	38	31	8
8/98	26	37	29	8	7/24-28/09	20	34	39	7
9/98B	26	35	31	7	9/19-23/09	22	37	33	7
9/98C	27	35	32	6	12/4-8/09	27	36	29	8
10/98A	24	37	32	7	2/5-10/10	28	30	37	5
10/98B	27	39	28	6	4/5-12/10	28	31	33	7
12/98	27	37	30	6	4/28-5/2/10	25	34	31	10
1/99	25	37	33	5	6/16-20/10	24	34	33	9
4/99	30	34	28	7	9/10-14/10	25	35	33	7
11/99	28	37	30	5	10/21-26/10	28	37	31	4
2/00	28	37	28	6	1/15-19/11	27	34	32	6
5/00	31	34	27	7	4/15-20/11	25	33	34	7
7/00B	31	36	26	7	6/24-28/11	26	33	34	6
9/00A	31	33	27	9	8/2-3/11	24	32	39	4
9/00D	28	37	27	8	9/10-15/11	26	33	32	8
10/00	29	35	30	7	10/19-24/11	25	35	34	5
11/00	27	36	29	9	1/12-17/12	25	35	36	4
3/8-12/01	31	35	29	5	2/8-14/12	27	34	32	7
6/14-18/01	27	36	30	7	3/7-11/12	26	30	35	9
10/25-28/01	32	37	23	8	4/13-17/12	26	34	33	6
					5/11-13/12	27	35	34	5